# SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

The School Building Authority Advisory Board met on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at the R.I. Department of Education, 255 Westminster Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Awaiting the arrival of Chair Michael DiBiase, Board member Kevin Gallagher welcomed everyone, declared a quorum present, and called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m.

**Present**: Michael DiBiase, Kevin Gallagher, Victoria Kerns, Seth Magaziner, Carolyn

Mark, Naomi Neville and Victoria Richman

**Absent:** None

## 1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

On a motion duly made by Naomi Neville and seconded by Victoria Richman it was

VOTED: THAT: The SBA Advisory Board accepts the agenda for the

meeting of May 11, 2016

VOTE: 6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in

the negative

YEAS: Kevin Gallagher, Victoria Kerns, Seth Magaziner,

Carolyn Mark, Naomi Neville, and Victoria Richman

NAYS: 0

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the School Building Authority Advisory Board's May 5, 2016 Meeting

On a motion duly made by Victoria Richman and seconded by Naomi Neville, it was

VOTED: THAT: The SBA Advisory Board approve the minutes for the

meeting of May 5, 2016.

VOTE: 5 members voted in the affirmative, 0 members voted in the

negative, and 1 member abstained as follows:

YEAS: Victoria Kerns, Seth Magaziner, Carolyn Mark, Naomi

Neville, and Victoria Richman

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: Kevin Gallagher

## 3. OPENING REMARKS

Board member Kevin Gallagher began the meeting by discussing the items on the agenda.

## 4. REPORTS FROM THE SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORTIY

Dr. da Silva began by presenting the projects and prioritization scores for each school seeking a Necessity of School Construction approval. The Board asked about the prioritization rubric, tracking systems, and project costs. The Board indicated its interest in discussing prioritization scoring systems for FY17. The SBA also noted that the results from the statewide assessment will inform future project prioritization. Upon the arrival of Chair DiBiase, a motion was called to accept the recommendation of the 69 projects presented to the Advisory Board. Board member Kevin Gallagher made the motion, seconded by Seth Magaziner who made an Amendment to the motion to vote for Newport separately due to the fact that a Board member, Naomi Neville, sits on the Newport Town Council.

On a motion duly made by Seth Magaziner and seconded by Carolyn Mark, it was

VOTED: THAT: The SBA Advisory Board recommends all projects

with the exception of three projects in Newport.

VOTE: 7 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in

the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael DiBiase, Kevin Gallagher, Victoria Kerns, Seth

Magaziner, Carolyn Mark, Naomi Neville, and Victoria

Richman

NAYS: 0

On a motion duly made by Seth Magaziner and seconded by Carolyn Mark it was,

VOTED: THAT: The SBA approve all three projects in Newport.

VOTE: 6 members voted in the affirmative, 0 members voted in

the negative as follows, and 1 member recused.

YEAS: Michael DiBiase, Kevin Gallagher, Victoria Kerns, Seth

Magaziner, Carolyn Mark, and Victoria Richman

NAYS: 0

RECUSE: Naomi Neville

Dr. da Silva explained the importance of having the support of the General Assembly and presented a letter of support on behalf of the SBA Advisory Board to support the \$40M bond for school improvements included in Governor Raimondo FY 17 Proposed Budget. On a motion duly made by Naomi Neville and seconded by Carolyn Mark it was,

VOTED: THAT: The SBA approve the letter subject to the correction of an

error found.

VOTE: 7 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in

the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael DiBiase, Kevin Gallagher, Victoria Kerns, Seth

Magaziner, Carolyn Mark, Naomi Neville, and Victoria

Richman

NAYS: 0

#### 5. CLOSING COMMENTS

Chair DiBiase presented the upcoming meetings schedule and the Board decided it was best to establish work sessions prior to meetings that required a vote. The next meeting would be to discuss the scoring system and application for the FY17 SBA Capital Fund.

#### 6. UPCOMING MEETING

The next School Building Authority Advisory Board meeting will be scheduled in July.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly made by Naomi Neville and seconded by Seth Magaziner it was

**VOTED:** THAT: The SBA Advisory Board adjourns.

VOTE: 7 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted

in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael DiBiase, Kevin Gallagher, Victoria Kerns, Seth

Magaziner, Carolyn Mark, Naomi Neville, and Victoria

Richman

NAYS: 0

The meeting adjourned at 2:14 p.m.